(e) From the inhabitants of Anthikad and surrounding villages signed by K. R. Koru Vaidyan and others.

(f) From the inhabitants of Elanad and Vennur villages under Palayannur Panchayat signed by Karumanguzhi Sankunni Menon and others.

(g) From the inhabitants of Inchamudi, Kurumpilavu-Peruvanam, Karumannur, Karlom, Urakam, etc., and the surrounding places signed by Edakkunni Soolapani Warriar and others.

(h) From the inhabitants of Manalur Karumukku and Anthikad signed by Kolayamparambath Krishna Menon and others.

(4) The Registrar of Village Panchayats and his Inspectors. Three Honorary visitors including the Tahsildar of the Taluk also have been appointed for each Visha Vaidyasala. A list showing the names of Honorary visitors is appended. (*Appendix IV*).

Peramangalam thodu.

343. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(a) whether the inquiry regarding the deepening of the Peramangalam thodu Survey No. 544 of the Peramangalam village mentioned in answer to question No. 200 of the Budget Session of 1106 has been completed;

(b) if completed, what is the result of the enquiry;

(c) if not completed, what is the delay due to and when was the request for deepening the thodu first made;

(d) what is the extent of cultivable land that will be favourably affected by the deepening requested for?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) No.

(b) The question does not arise in view of the answer to (a) above.

(c) (i) A report due from the Kaiparamba Panchayat is awaited.

(ii) The request was first made to the Diwan Peishkar on 27th Kanni 1106.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—May I know to which date this answer refers? Is it as matters now stand or the date of the previous enquiry?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—This refers to the last meeting of the Council. Since then the enquiry has been completed and I think I am in a position to supply the answer.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—From the result of the enquiry can I get an answer to sub-division (b)?

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Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The enquiry showed that the deepening and widening of this thodu will be useful for cultivation purposes.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Can I take thatthe Government will provide for it in the next year's Budget?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The rules require that the interested ryots should contribute half the cost. If the ryots would contribute half the cost we will provide for it.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—With regard to that rule what has been the expierence of the Government whether in such cases the ryots concerned have been in a position to come forward with half the cost?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—There are instances where the ryots have come forward with half the cost and if they have not come forward with it we have refused.

Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.—Is it the rule that if the ryots do not come forward with their contribution the works would not be taken up?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—The rules are very definite that unless the ryots come forward with half of the contribution the works cannot be taken up.

Visha Vaidyans and Vaidyasalas.

344. **Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan.**—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(a) whether His Highness the Elaya Raja and His Highness' the 7th Prince Kochunni Thampuran are known expert Visha Vaidyans;

(b) whether in the appointment of the various Vishavaidyans these experts have been consulted and whether the appointments are made in accordance with their suggestions;

(c) whether with regard to any question connected with the newly started Vaidyasalas the opinion of these experts have been taken;

(d) if the answer to (b) and (c) be in the negative, will the Government be pleased further to state why it did not mind to take advantage of the services of Their Highnesses in such an important matter and who exactly have been consulted in the matter;

(e) whether the Government has come to any settlement regarding the periodical inspection of Vaidyasalas and Vishavaidyasalas by any competent Vaidyan; if so, who is the Vaidyan selected for the purpose and on what conditions?

Mr. P. V. Raphael.—(a) The 7th Prince is known to be an expert Visha Vaidyan.

(b) The 1st and seventh Princes were consulted.

(c) See (b).

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